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COMMANDER, TEMPELHOF CENTRAL AIRPORT

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1. PROVIDED BELOW IS BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON COL. DONALD W. LAJEUNESSE, COMMANDER, TEMPELHOF CENTRAL AIRPORT, BERLIN. AS BASE COMMANDER, COL. LAJEUNESSE WILL BE AMONG THE GROUP OF DIGNITARIES GREETING PRESIDENT CARTER AT AIRCRAFT RAMP ON ARRIVAL AT TEMPELHOF AND WE RECOMMEND THAT A SHORT BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH BE INCLUDED IN BIOGRAPHIC COLLECTION PREPARED BY DEPARTMENT FOR VISIT. PHOTOGRAPH FORWARDED SEPARATELY.

2. COL. LAJEUNESSE WAS BORN ON JANUARY 12, 1930 IN BEDOFROD, MASS. HE ATTENDED SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS TECHNOLOGICAL INSTITUTE IN 1948-49 BEFORE ENLISTING IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE IN 1950. HE ACHIEVED THE RANK FO STAFF SERGEANT BEFORE BEING CHOSEN TO ENTER CADET PILOT TRAINING IN 1953. HE WAS COMMISSIONED AS A 2CN LEIU-TENANT IN 1954.

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3. COL. LAJEUNESSE HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE AS A HELICOPTER PILOT. BESIDES ASSIGNMENTS IN THE U.S., HE HAS SERVED IN LIBYA, DHAHRAN, GERMANY, AND VIETNAM WHERE HE FLEW 52 HELICOPTER COMBAT MISSIONS. FROM 1971-74, HE WAS COMMANDER OF THE 1ST HELICOPTER SQUANDRON, ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, MARYLAND. THIS UNIT'S TASKS INCLUDE PROVIDIING AIR TRANSPORTATION FOR THE VICE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS. COL. LAJEUNESSE ASSUMED HIS PRESENT POST AS COMMANDER OF THE 7350 AIR BASE GROUP, WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR TEMPELHOF CENTRAL AIRPORT, BERLIN, IN 1974.

4. COL. LAJEUNESSE AND HIS WIFE JOAN HAVE TWO CHILDREN, DOUGLAS WILLIAM AND NICOLE MARIE. DAVIS

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